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FIFTYCENTS

## Attempted removal of trustee halts meeting

By Scott Cousins  
 Staff writer

Tuesday's Pontoon Beach Village Board meeting ended abruptly after an attempt to remove Trustee Randy Presswood from office.  
 The meeting was adjourned after a vote to remove Presswood was tabled at the request of two trustees.  
 Presswood — more specifically his status as a resident — has been a matter of controversy since Oct. 20, when attorney Richard Rybak sent a

letter saying he no longer fit the residency requirements to hold office.  
 Presswood had recently sold his home and is in the process of building another. In the meantime, he said his official residence is his business, the Hard Body Gym.  
 In a letter to Presswood, Rybak said "the position that you once held as board member is now considered to be officially vacant."  
 The letter stated that Presswood was no longer a "valid, legitimate, legal resident" of the village, accord-

### PONTON BEACH

ing to state law and village ordinance.  
 Rybak said the law requires an office-holder to be qualified to vote in the village.  
 "Since you have abandoned your residence within the district, you have effectively created a vacancy in the office and have forfeited any authority, right or power to act in

any official capacity as a board member for the village of Pontoon Beach," the letter said.  
 At Tuesday's meeting, Trustee Lou Whitsell made the motion, seconded by Trustee Bob Vincent, to remove Presswood. That was halted after Trustee Irene Karlechik motioned to table the matter and Trustee Gus Falter seconded her motion.  
 Whitsell then motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Bob Abel seconded that motion.  
 The Board voted 3-3 to adjourn,

with Whitsell, Abel and Vincent voting in favor, while Karlechik, Gus Falter and Presswood voted against. Mayor Glen Wilson broke the tie in favor of adjournment.  
 Whitsell said the village would probably have to have a special meeting to consider Presswood's removal.  
 "I don't believe that Randy should be sitting on the board because he does not have a permanent residence," Whitsell said.  
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## Venice library accesses globe

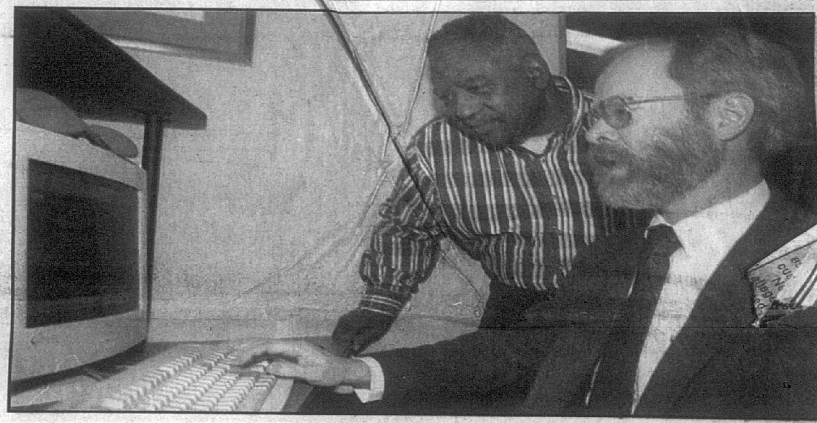
By Scott Cousins  
 Staff writer

The world has come to the Venice Public Library.  
 Thanks to grants from the state, patrons will be able to access the Lewis and Clark Library System and the Internet from the library.  
 On Wednesday, Library Board members and city officials were on hand to unveil the computers.

Librarian Charlyn Woods said the new computers will give Venice library patrons a chance to "be where all the other libraries are."  
 "There are just so many things," she said. "Everything that you don't have here, you have in the computer."

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Staff photo by JOHN FRESE



Venice Mayor Tyrnol Echols, left, watches as Gateway Automated Information Network Manager Bill Stevens demonstrates the new computer network installed at the Venice Public Library. The computers provide access to the Internet and also form an electronic card catalog linking approximately 40 libraries in the Metro East and providing access to nearly one-and-a-half million items.

## Winter sends snowy greeting

By Nicole Vaughn  
 Staff writer

Thursday's snowfall surprised residents, broke records, caused accidents and canceled weekend events.  
 Venice police reported three weather-related accidents, including a four-car accident on the Broadway viaduct.  
 At about 7:30 a.m. Friday, a driver lost control of her vehicle, striking another. The other two cars collided while trying to avoid the first accident.  
 Three St. Louis residents were taken to St. Elizabeth Medical Center after a two-car accident on the McKinley Bridge at about 11:50 p.m. Thursday.  
 One driver was ticketed with driving too fast for conditions and illegal transportation of alcohol.  
 Further information was

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 Liz Dalton

unavailable by Journal press time.  
 The Collinsville Community Appearance Board called off its annual fall clean-up and the River Bluffs Girl Scout Council canceled its "Team Up For Fun" event. Both had been set for Saturday and both have been postponed until spring.  
 "When it started, I immediately thought 'oh no,'" Liz Dalton of the Appearance Board said. "I was hoping that on Friday the sun would have come out."  
 (See SNOW, Page 6A)

## School stages Byron's last day

Operation Lifesaver train safety video filmed in Madison

By Scott Cousins  
 Staff writer

The lights went down. It was the big moment, and everybody was watching.  
 Up on the big screen, the actors performed flawlessly.  
 All the big names — names like Marquita Tyler, Daniel Jackson, Shiara Brown, and Barb Cox.

Well, maybe not big names yet, but for 25 Madison High School students and one teacher, it was their chance at stardom.  
 On Thursday, Operation Lifesaver premiered its new safety video, "Byron's Last Day," at the high school.  
 Most of the video — dealing with the dangers of trespassing on railroad property — was filmed locally, using MHIS students as extras.  
 The video was funded by a \$25,000 grant

from Operation Lifesaver, and will be distributed to the program's state coordinators for use during safety presentations.  
 Writer-producer Bob Brooks said he was very pleased with the final outcome.  
 "I'm very happy with it," he said. "It turned out a little better than I thought it would. And the kids did a good job. I think we've got a hit," he said.  
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Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

### Christmas gifts

Mary Groshong, Connie Balen, Veronica Knozen with daughter Kelli, and Carolyn Menendez put the finishing touches on gift baskets for the PEO Basket Booth at the Christmas Ideas Festival Nov. 22 at the Brown Recreation center.

## Ameritech suit nears settlement

By Terry Hillig  
 Telegraph staff writer

EDWARDSVILLE — Telephone customers in five states could receive more than \$150 million in benefits from the proposed settlement of a class-action lawsuit against telecommunications giant Ameritech over the company's charges for inside wire maintenance.  
 Associate Judge Randall Bone of Madison County Circuit Court gave preliminary approval to the agreement Wednesday and scheduled a March 16 hearing to consider final approval.  
 The lawsuit originated in 1995, when Amy Bonser of Edwardsville and Renee Folkerts of Belleville questioned telephone bill charges for inside wire maintenance. Bone

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# Group credited with saving 10,000 lives

Scott Cousins  
writer

With the premier of "Byron's Last Day," a video about the dangers of trespassing on railroad property, Operation Lifesaver is taking a new action.

At the premier of the video at Madison High School, where interior scenes were filmed, Gerri Hall, president of Operation Lifesaver Inc., said the group is going to emphasize the dangers highlighted in the film.

Since starting 25 years ago, Operation Lifesaver is credited with saving 10,000 lives and preventing 40,000 injuries by an aggressive education campaign.

Now, Hall said the organization is adding education about the dangers of trespassing on railroad property to its message about safety at railroad crossings.

She said 471 people were killed while trespassing on railroad property in 1986. "A locomotive engineer does not expect to encounter people on the tracks," she said. "A locomotive cannot swerve to avoid hitting a pedestrian, and it can take up to a mile or more to stop a 12-ton locomotive and rail cars."

She noted that railroad tracks, trestles, yards and equipment are all private property, and trespassers are subject to arrest and fines.

This is the message that Operation Lifesaver and its safety partners in Missouri and Illinois want to carry to young people with this video.

Until recently, Operation Lifesaver directed its effort toward crossing safety at highway-rail intersections, but with the increase in pedestrian injuries and fatalities, the program is expanding to include a new pedestrian rail safety campaign.

"This is a problem we plan on beating," Hall said. "We've made remarkable progress in highway-rail grade crossing safety over the last 25 years."

"We're credited with saving more than 10,000 lives and preventing 40,000 injuries," she said. "We're winning that game, but we're losing when it comes to folks walking on the tracks, or fishing, or hunting on the tracks, or taking a short cut home from school."

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Gerri Hall  
President of Operation Lifesaver

She said Operation Lifesaver's 2,500 volunteer speakers would use the video throughout the nation.

"We are trying to reach those kids, we are trying to reach those adults, so that they won't take unnecessary risks," she said.

For information about Operation Lifesaver, call Missouri State Coordinator Rick Mooney at (573) 751-7122 or Illinois State Coordinator Don Richardson at (217) 785-8429.

## •Byron

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The star of the film is Byron — played by St. Louis actor Lamar Lockett — an up-and-coming high school comic who wins a local talent contest.

While going home from school to watch himself on television, Byron is delayed at a railroad crossing. Rather than wait for the stopped train to move, he tries to go between cars and is killed when it begins moving again.

In another scene, two youths try to hop onto a freight car for a quick ride downtown, and one is crippled.

A third situation deals with a student walking on the tracks while wearing headphones. She narrowly avoids being struck by a train.

The video will be used by Operation Lifesaver's state coordinators and its 2,500 speakers countrywide.

Students spent two days — Sept. 19 and 22 — filming. Most were nonspeaking roles, or background.



Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

The group of Madison High School students who helped in filming or appeared in "Byron's Last Day" pose with the plaque they received and wear the T-shirts they received from Operation Lifesaver for their help.

One major speaking role went to MHS Media Resource Specialist Barb Cox, who played a teacher. "They made me look good," she said.

Cox said she was very proud of the MHS students.

"The kids have been waiting for the premier," she said. "They've been really excited about Operation Lifesaver coming back."

"I couldn't be prouder of my kids, they worked really hard," she added. "They were wonderful, and I've had nothing but great comments about their performances. I can't wait for everyone to see Byron's Last Day."

Karnell Dixon said he enjoyed his few minutes of fame. He spent his time in "the background."

"Just background, shaking hands with Byron, just walking down the hall," he said. "It was fun, it's going to help a whole bunch of kids stay out of trouble."



Staff photo by JOHN FRESE

Madison High School students watch as Byron walks his girlfriend home from school just before his fatal decision to try to climb under a stopped train during the film's premier showing at the school.

## New board members take seats

Two new members were sworn in and Sharon Cass was reelected president of the Madison Board of Education at a meeting Monday.

New board members Carol Hamm and John Ervin were seated. Incumbents Harry Peterson — who had been appointed to fill an unexpired term — and James Newsome were also sworn in.

In addition to Cass, other officers elected were: James E. Newsome, vice president; Harry Peterson, treasurer; and Carol Hamm, secretary.

In other business, the board accepted the Health Life Safety survey for the district.

Superintendent Gary Allison said there were no problems that had to be addressed immediately.

"It gives us a plan if we ever get any money," he said.

The board also accepted the auditor's report for the 1986-1987 school year.

The board also rejected bids for a 6,000-square-foot utility shed next to the Middle School.

Allison said all the bids came in much higher than expected.

He said they expected the bids to be about \$100,000, but the lowest came in at about \$140,000.

— Scott Cousins

## United Way campaign sets new record

The Illinois Division of the United Way of Greater St. Louis raised a record \$1.6 million in contributions and pledges in this year's fund-raising campaign.

Among those cited for outstanding employee contributions this year were: Illinois can Water Company, Coal Company-Maryland, Magna Electronics, the Visiting Nurse Association of Southwestern Illinois, Computer Sciences Corporation, Big River Zinc Corporation, Central Bank, Lessee Bates Davis Neighborhood House, Magna Data Services, Dillard's Department Store, Fairview Heights, Illinois Center for Autism, Diet & Ferguson P.C. AT&T Corp., Belleville, NuWorld Marketing Ltd. and the Missionary Association.

Other campaigns cited include: St. Joseph's Hospital of Breese, Empire Comfort Systems Inc., SFA Corp., Belleville Area Special Education District, Belleville Public School District 118, American Water Works Service Company Inc.,

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Pontoon Beach Trustees Randy Presswood (right) and Lou Whitsell do not look at each other moments after Whitsell made a motion to remove Presswood from his seat.

## •Trustee

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in the village of Pontoon Beach, and we shouldn't conduct business with him voting," Whitsell said.  
Karlechik said the action was "ridiculous."  
"The judge ruled he was on the board and the temporary restraining order was voided," she said.  
On Oct. 27, Rybak and Village Attorney Keith Jensen filed a petition for an injunction against Presswood. However, that motion was denied. A counter-motion by Presswood seeking an injunction against the village was also denied.  
Presswood declined to comment, but attorney Andy Miosky said the issue would probably have to be settled in court.  
"Randy's done a lot of homework, we've spoken with an attorney for the State Board of Elections in Chicago... who has indicated that he has

no problems with Randy's residency," Miosky said. "They believe that even if he moved out of the village for a temporary period of time as long as it was his intention to stay in the village he would be able to maintain his office."  
Wilson said he had nothing to do with removing Presswood, but supported the action.  
"They tabled it tonight, of course it will have to come out at the next meeting. Something will have to be done," he said.  
"I did not do it. I do not agree with what he (Presswood) is doing. He doesn't live in the village, that's the law."  
If Presswood is removed, it could give Wilson's political party a clear majority.  
The board is evenly split with Presswood, Falter, Karlechik and Village Clerk Mary Rowden on one side; an Vincent, Abel, Whitsell, and Wilson on the other.

While Wilson can cast the deciding vote in a tie, his side cannot overturn Board action without the support of at least one other trustee.

# City's business stopped

## City attorney resignation, new licenses on hold

By Scott Cousins  
Staff writer

The abrupt adjournment at Tuesday's Pontoon Beach Village Board meeting Tuesday left some business unfinished, including the resignation of Village Attorney Keith Jensen. Jensen, who was recently named city attorney for Granite City, said he has submitted his resignation, but the Board has not acted on it.  
The meeting adjourned after an unsuccessful attempt to remove Trustee Randy Presswood from office.  
After the meeting Jensen said he has submitted his resignation, but was not sure when the Board would act on it.

Other business left unfinished was action on four new business licenses and a resolution transferring \$5,000 in appropriations from the contingency fund to the temporary office clerk fund.

The only matter to come before the Board was a short presentation by Alan Orbals, executive director of the Southwestern Illinois Development Authority.

He said SWIDA had contracted with Thomas Development Co. to obtain land for the

## PONTOON BEACH

Gateway Commerce Center north of Interstate 270. Included in that was approximately 170 acres recently annexed into the village.

The property, on the east side of Illinois 111, was annexed several weeks ago. Orbals discussed quick take on the property, saying that it must obtain the village's approval.

"If you do not decide to do so, we still have an agreement with Thomas Development Co. to acquire the property by condemnation," he said. "And

SWIDA does not need local approval to use its normal eminent domain.

He said they were not seeking approval at this time, but wanted the board to be informed.

The owners of several properties in the area have been opposed to selling the land to the development company. Instead, they hope to develop it themselves.

After the meeting, Mayor Glen Wilson said he opposed SWIDA taking the land without the owners' permission for economic development purposes.

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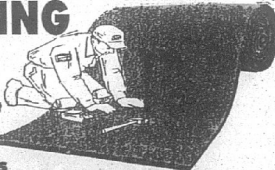
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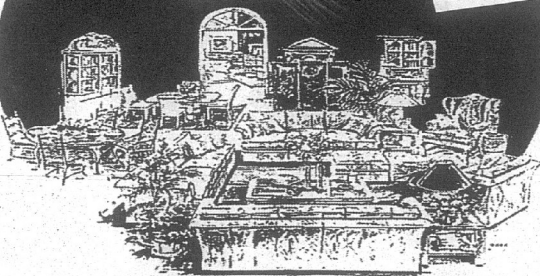
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## SCHOOL NEWS

## IN THE CLASSROOM

**AABEL SILVA** of Granite City, a student at St. Elizabeth School, was a winner in an essay contest called "Smoking Isn't Cool!" sponsored by the St. Louis Blues and the American Cancer Society. Silva and the other St. Louis area winners spent an afternoon with Blues right wing Jim Campbell Nov. 2 at Kiel Center.

Silva and the other winners will star in a video with Campbell that will air during the Blues' Nov. 20 home game versus the Edmonton Oilers, the same day as the Great American Smokeout.

**ANNA HOLLIS** of Granite City is assistant editor of the *Yearbook at Monmouth College*. Hollis is a sophomore chemistry major with a topical major in engineering, and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas R. Hollis.

**WAKITA P. WALKER** of Venice received the bachelor's of arts from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale during commencement ceremonies in August.

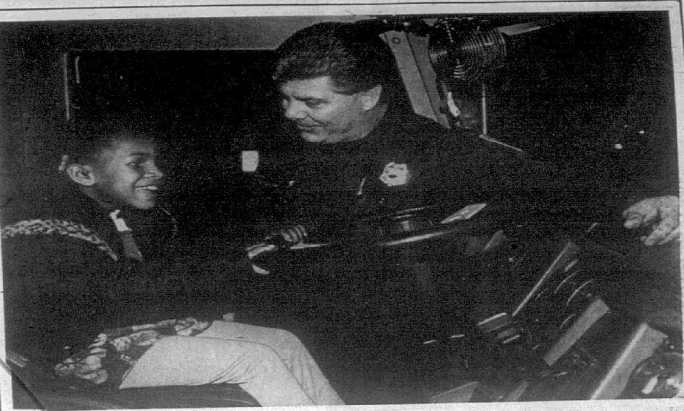
**JIM MOORE**, director of the Industrial Training Center at

Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus, and adjunct faculty member **BILL BROWN** recently won a "Best of Conference" award for their presentation at the Manufacturing Technology Strategies fourth annual International Users Conference, held in St. Louis.

**WILLIAM ROTTER**, principal at Granite City High School, attended the Illinois Principals Association's 1997 Principals Professionals Conference held Oct. 18-22 in Georgia. The annual event provides attendees the opportunity to hear outstanding educational leaders and participate in small group sessions about issues affecting administrators.

**JAMES KLINGERT** of Madison has enrolled in the Electrical Engineering Technology program at ITT Technical Institute in Earth City, Mo. The eight-quarter program will help Klingert prepare for a position in electronics.

**JEREMY WILKINSON** of Granite City has enrolled in the Electrical Engineering Technology program at ITT Technical Institute in Earth City, Mo. The eight-quarter program will help Wilkinson prepare for an entry-level position in electronics.



## In the driver's seat

Chester Russell, 6, of Madison gets a bird's-eye view inside a Granite City Fire Department truck during Kids Count, an evening of educational and entertaining activities for children and parents held recently at Belleville Area College's Granite City Campus. Showing Chea the controls is firefighter Jeff Reiter.

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TUESDAY, Nov. 18 — NO SCHOOL  
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19 — /Sausage roll-up, orange juice, milk  
THURSDAY, Nov. 20 — Pop tarts (2), fresh fruit, milk  
FRIDAY, Nov. 21 — Cereal, toast w/ jelly, fruit cup, milk.

**Lunch**  
MONDAY, Nov. 17 — NO SCHOOL  
TUESDAY, Nov. 18 — NO SCHOOL  
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19 — Piz-zza, w.k. corn, sliced peaches, milk  
THURSDAY, Nov. 20 — Beef and bean taco, mixed vegetables, spanish rice, fresh apple, slice of bread (2), milk  
FRIDAY, Nov. 21 — Baked fish on bun, macaroni and cheese, green beans, mixed fruit, milk.

## Madison Public Schools

**Breakfast**  
MONDAY, Nov. 17 — Cereal, toast, milk  
TUESDAY, Nov. 18 — Muffins, milk  
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19 — Biscuits and gravy, milk  
THURSDAY, Nov. 20 — Cereal, toast, milk  
FRIDAY, Nov. 21 — French toast, milk

**Lunch**  
MONDAY, Nov. 17 — Ham-burger on bun, dill pickles, baked beans, peaches, milk  
TUESDAY, Nov. 18 — Chili con carne and beans, crackers, peanut butter and jelly sandwich, carrot and celery sticks, peaches, milk  
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19 — Sausage and shells, corn, pineapple chunks, bread, milk  
THURSDAY, Nov. 20 — Turkey and dressing, whipped potatoes, green beans, sweet potato pie w/topping, milk  
FRIDAY, Nov. 21 — Nachos with ground beef, carrot and celery sticks, applesauce, soft pretzel, milk.

## Venice Public Schools

**Breakfast**  
MONDAY, Nov. 17 — Sausage, toast, hashbrowns, milk  
TUESDAY, Nov. 18 — Donuts, fruit, milk  
WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19 — French toast sticks, sausage, milk  
THURSDAY, Nov. 20 — Cereal, fruit, milk  
FRIDAY, Nov. 21 — Eggs, rice, slice bacon, juice, milk.

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## OBITUARIES

## Gladys Anderson

GLADYS M. (NEE) ANDERSON, 89, a longtime resident of National City, died Tuesday, Nov. 11, 1997, at Sonoma, Calif., of a brief illness. She was born May 28, 1908, in Franklin County in Virginia.

Mrs. Anderson worked at Armour and Company in National City and for many years was an active member of Second Baptist Church in Granite City.

Survivors include a daughter, Kay Gerner, a brother, a sister, grandchild; great-grandchildren; and great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Malcolm Anderson, and a daughter, Bernice Walker.

Visitation will be from 11 a.m. until the time of services on Monday, Nov. 17, at Kessler Mortuary in Fairview Heights. Services will be at 1 p.m. Monday, Nov. 17, at the funeral home with the Rev. David Tyler officiating. Burial will be in National Cemetery in Jefferson Barracks, Mo.

## Timothy W. Dilbeck

TIMOTHY W. DILBECK, 36, of Dupo died Sunday, Nov. 9, 1997, at St. Mary's Hospital in East St. Louis. He was born Sept. 23, 1961, in St. Louis.

Mr. Dilbeck was employed by Clark Oil in Cahokia.

Survivors include two sons, T.J.

and Nicholas Dilbeck; a daughter, Beverly Dilbeck of Lezbourg; her father, William Dilbeck, Sr., of Poplar Bluff, Mo.; two brothers, William Dilbeck, Jr., of Doniphan, Mo., and Charlie Dilbeck of French Village, Mo.; seven sisters, Phyllis Bronaugh, Pamela Newbury, Sherry McCallin, Sheila Schneidde, all of Granite City, Yolinda Hitt of Vandavia, Ruth Grisham of Troy, and Cindy Dilbeck of Doniphan, Mo.; nieces, nephews, and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Phyllis (May) Dilbeck; two brothers, Joseph Dilbeck and Virgil Dilbeck; and a sister, Carla Henne. Private cremation was held.

Arrangements were handled by Brown Colonial Funeral Home in Cahokia.

## Irma V. Green

IRMA V. (ISHAM) GREEN, 83, of Belleville died Sunday, Nov. 9, 1997, at Castle Haven Nursing Home.

Mrs. Green retired as a secretary for Grove Plumbing Company.

Survivors include a son, Charles L. Green Jr., of Belleville; a sister, Edna Isham of Granite City; four grandchildren, Julie Green, Julie Bartelbort, Kim Plunkett, and Karen Vogt; four great-grandchildren, Brook Adams, "Cliff," Reed, Victoria Gourley, and Cindy Vogt; and cousins.

She was preceded in death by

her husband, Charles L. Green, Sr.; her father, Ted Isham; her mother, and stepfather, George and Susan V. (Ballard) Mueller; and a sister, Leona Plashes.

Services were held Thursday, Nov. 13, at Kurus Funeral Home in Belleville with the Rev. Father Clarence Zachary officiating. Burial was in Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville.

## Lester Milam

LESTER LEO MILAM, 68, of Granite City died at 11:15 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 9, 1997, in Granite City. He was born July 29, 1928, in Bear Spring, Tenn.

Mr. Milam retired from Granite City Steel in 1993, after 45 years of service as a crane operator. He was an Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Genell (Preston) Milam of Granite City, whom he married Aug. 13, 1960; two daughters, Linda Rorie and Lisa Duffield, both of Granite City; six grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; one brother, Kenneth Carlisle of Collinsville, and one sister, W.A. Chilcutt of Granite City.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lurton Milam and Mary Agnes Carroll; one brother, Johnny Milam; and one sister, Rose Doty. Services were held Wednesday, Nov. 12, at Irwin Chapel in Granite City, with the Rev. Mel Simpson officiating. Burial was in Woodland Hill Cemetery in East Alton.

## Aled Venditto

ALFRED "FRANK" VENDITTO, 81, of Edwardsville, formerly of Granite City for most of his lifetime, died at 2 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, 1997, at Oliver Anderson Hospital in Myrtleville. He was born Dec. 23, 1918, in Granite City.

Mr. Venditto was the owner of Belle Vista Club and restaurant for 10 years. He was a member of St. Elizabeth Catholic Church in Granite City. He was past president of Family Council of University Manor Nursing Home.

Survivors include a nephew, Charles Ahlers of Highland; four nieces, Margaret Risk of St. Louis, Candace Thompson, Glenda Flowers, and Dinah Thompson, all of Granite City; great nieces and great-nephews; great-great-nieces and great-great-nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Anthony and Marie Conzelta (Manzelli) Venditto; a brother, Nick Venditto; and a sister, Christine Ahlers.

Visitation will be from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. for family, and from 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. for friends and family on

Sunday, Nov. 16, at Thomas Mortuaries, Ltd. in Granite City. Rosary services will be at 8 p.m. Sunday at the funeral home. Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Monday, Nov. 17, at St. Elizabeth Catholic Church, 2300 Pontoon Road, Granite City, with the Rev. Father Tom Liebler officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in Edwardsville.

Memorials are suggested to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.

**Peyton Pavia**

PEYTON LEE PAVIA, 64, of Mitchell died at 8:15 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 11, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center emergency room. He was born Nov. 16, 1932, in St. Louis.

Mr. Pavia was a service manager at Duke Manufacturing in St. Louis for 40 years and semi-retired in 1996. He was a member of Eagles Aerie 1120, an associate member of the American Legion, and a member of the board of directors of the Mitchell Water District.

Survivors include his wife, Lynda (Vouchoff) Pavia, whom he married May 17, 1966, in Granite City; his first wife, Lorraine Pavia of Granite City; three daughters, Joyce Pavia

of Mitchell, Linda Pavia of Granite City and Tina Eiskant of Collinsville; one stepson, Chuck Vouchoff of Edwardsville; one brother, Elwood "Buster" Moore of Granite City; one sister, Mary Gread of St. Louis; eight grandchildren and one great-grandson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Nicholas and Ada Leota "Patterson" Pavia; a daughter, Susan Lee Pavia; one brother, Jack Pavia; and a sister, Rose Lynn.

Visitation will be from 4 to 5 p.m. Tuesday, Nov. 18, at Thomas Mortuaries, 2205 Pontoon Road, Granite City. Services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 19, at the funeral home with the Rev. Henry Crippin officiating. Burial will be in Calvary Cemetery in St. Louis County.

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## Snow

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and melted it all away. That's the only way we could have handled it.

"It was very disappointing but I don't see how we could have done anything but cancel."

The group had scheduled 35 houses, owned by elderly or other homebound residents, for

routine yardwork.

Weather Service, 2.3 inches of snow fell in the area Thursday afternoon. An inch was on the ground before 3 p.m.

"It was enough snow to remind me to gas-up and to go get my car ready for winter," said Collinsville resident Mary Uhlman.

Weatherizing wasn't the only

thought the snowy surprise created.

"It kind of gets you in the mood for Christmas," Uhlman said. "I'm just not in the holiday spirit when it's 50 degrees."

The snowfall broke an 81-year record. The highest recorded snowfall on Nov. 13, happened in 1916 and measured one-tenth of an inch.

The earliest snowfall of more than 1 inch occurred Nov. 2, 1929, when 2.5 inches fell.

The average date for the first significant snowfall is Dec. 6, according to the NWS.

Early snowfalls greater than an inch are uncommon, an NWS official said.

(Additional information provided by staff writer Scott Cousins.)

## Venice

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Two computers are available for public use.

One allows access to the Lewis and Clark Library System's catalog file and InfoTrac—a collection of more than 300 full-text magazines.

With the card catalog, users can order books from any of the 40 libraries in the Lewis and Clark system.

When searching for titles, the computer will highlight those items available at the Venice Library.

If it is available at another library in the system, it can be ordered.

The InfoTrac system, based in New Jersey, allows access to a wide variety of magazines.

"When students or adults come in and need a piece of information, articles for term papers or whatever they want, they have the ability to sit down here and search, said Bill Stevens, automation manager for the Lewis and Clark Library System, who helped install the system.

That computer was obtained

through an automation grant with three other library systems: Staunton Public Library, Mater Dei High School and Central Community High School in Breese.

Venice is the first of the four libraries to begin on-line circulation," Stevens said. "It allows everybody to share resources. That's the beauty of the system. Nobody can afford to own everything any more."

Before it could go on-line, every book in the library had to be entered into the computer system, Wood said.

The second computer allows access to the Internet using the NetScape web browser.

The second computer, which allows access to the Internet—came from a grant from the Illinois Secretary of State.

"The Illinois Secretary of State purchased 600-second Pentium computers a year ago for all the public libraries with the expressed purpose that it be used in public for the kids," Stevens said.

For information call the library at 877-1330.

## Menus

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## Lunch

MONDAY, Nov. 17 — Chicken and noodles, peas and carrots, fruit, slice bread, milk.

TUESDAY, Nov. 18 — Beef stew, cornbread, beans, fruit, milk.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19 — Sholl-rort spinach, fruit, slice bread, milk.

THURSDAY, Nov. 20 — Turkey and dressing, green beans, whipped potatoes, cranberry sauce, cake, milk.

FRIDAY, Nov. 21 — Hot dogs on bun, corn, fruit, milk.

## St. Elizabeth

## Lunch

MONDAY, Nov. 17 — Chicken and dumplings, mixed vegetables, biscuit, spiced apples, milk.

TUESDAY, Nov. 18 — Chef salad w/ham, crackers, pears, muffin, milk.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19 — Breaded chicken on bun, pork and beans, cole slaw, fresh fruit, milk.

THURSDAY, Nov. 20 — Turkey and gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, pumpkin bars, milk.

FRIDAY, Nov. 21 — NO LUNCH, EARLY DISMISSAL.

## Holy Family

## Lunch

MONDAY, Nov. 17 — Burger on bun, pickles, sliced cheese, potato wedges, mixed fruit, milk.

TUESDAY, Nov. 18 — B.B.Q. ham on bun, buttered noodles, salad, oatmeal cookie, milk.

WEDNESDAY, Nov. 19 — Meat and gravy over rice or potatoes, green beans, bread, blueberry cake, milk.

THURSDAY, Nov. 20 — Chili or chili mac, carrots and celery, peanut butter sandwich, jello w/fruit, milk.

FRIDAY, Nov. 21 — 11:30 a.m. DISMISSAL.

## Ameritech

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certified their lawsuit as a class action in October.

"A lot of people were sold this maintenance plan without knowing what it really was," plaintiffs' attorney Richard Paletta said Wednesday. "This is a big, big victory for consumers."

The lawsuit alleged that Chicago-based Ameritech, formerly Illinois Bell Telephone Co., misled customers into paying for optional plans for repair of wires and jacks inside homes and businesses. Although it has agreed to the proposed settlement, the company denies wrongdoing.

Ameritech President Doug Whitley said the company wants to concentrate on providing services customers want and need without the distraction of protracted and costly litigation.

He said millions of Ameritech customers have one of the "Linebacker" services and that about 900,000 of them were provided repairs under the plans last year.

"We are sorry for any confusion people have had about the service," he said.

The company said the value of the proposed settlement is about \$225 million. The class includes all customers in Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin who have subscribed to Linebacker services at any time since 1987.

Paletta said there have been several similar settlements of class actions against regional telephone companies regarding inside wiring repair services, but the proposed Ameritech settlement is by far the best for consumers.

He said it is the result of two years of exhaustive negotiations and discovery between the parties.

Members of the class will be notified about the proposed settlement through written notices and published notices in USA Today.

The proposed settlement includes \$28.5 million in credits or payments to current and former subscribers; about \$20 million in pay-per-use services, such as three-way calling, automatic dialback or repeat dialing; about \$45 million in pre-paid for local or toll calls; and about \$45 million in wire replacement services.

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should be. Mark Freeman, president of one of the largest fund families distributed exclusively by broker-dealers, said: "The longer you stay with us, the better off you are in terms of expense."

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Expenses come from your fund's income and profits, and if those aren't enough, your principal. They're an annual "deduction" from your fund's performance. When looking at a mutual fund's costs, consider all costs before you decide. You may be surprised to find out how much a "free lunch" costs. Jeff Prosser is a consultant with Edward Jones in Granite City.

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## Training awards held

The Madison County Employment and Training Department, which administers the Job Training and Partnership funds for Madison and Bond Counties, held its fourth annual Job Training Partnership Act Awards ceremony on Oct. 15.

Awards were given to participants who have overcome sufficient obstacles to remain in vocational training programs. Recipients included Michelle Cox, Teresa Crafton, Marie Odom-Green, Kelly Hahn, Carol Lawrence, Regina Prater, Ruth Starbuck, Rosalind Sterritt and Karen Young. Most of the recipients have also attained academic or merit achievements through their various schools.

Honored as the Alumnus of the Year was Joseph Skosky, vice president of Show Me Service. Skosky graduated from training, went to work for Xerox and is currently one of the owners of Show Me Service.

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DEBBIE BRIMER has surpassed her Million Dollar Award for 1997. Brimer is a full-time, full-service realtor, and a long-time associate of Star Realtors.

JO ANNE MALCHAREK has joined Heartland Healthcare, a multi-specialty physician group. Her office is in the Wolf Medical Building at 2044 Madison Ave. Malcharek specializes in pediatrics.

The FINANCIAL WOMEN INTERNATIONAL, a metropolitan St. Louis group, will hold a special meeting for financial services industry professionals at 5:30 p.m. Nov. 20 at the China Palace, located on Illinois 157 in Collinsville. The cost of

dinner is \$10 for guests.

The meeting highlights the recruitment campaign message. More than 40 professionals from the financial services industry have been invited to attend.

Featured speaker will be Wendy Wyse on making humor work — Take Your Job Seriously and Yourself Lightly.

Reservations should be received by Nov. 17. To make reservations or for additional information, call Elaine DeGuire at (314) 544-8558.

DR. MUHAMMAD JAMIL, medical director of Obesity Treatment Center in Madison, attended the 47th annual convention of the American Society of Bariatric Physicians held in Las Vegas. Jamil was recognized for doing office inspections to assure compliance with the "standard of bariatric practice." Passing



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of this peer review is a prerequisite for those who wish to take the certification examination in Bariatric Medicine by the American Board of Bariatric Medicine.

SID HELLE of Helle recently was elected first vice president of the Illinois Propane Gas Association for 1997-98. Helle also is District 10 director of the IPGA board of directors. As such, Helle represents IPGA members from Bond, Clinton, Madison, Monroe, Randolph, St. Clair and Washington counties.

U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION is seeking nominations for new categories of small business awards to be presented during the 1998 Small Business Week celebration. The new categories include the Phoenix Awards and the Venture-to-Work Awards. To obtain more information on the nomination procedures, contact the SBA's Chicago District Office at (312) 888-0705 or visit the agency's home page at [www.sba.gov](http://www.sba.gov).

BOBBY BAILEY has returned to her Granite City real estate office after attending a two-day course of advanced education for leaders of the Illinois Association of Realtors. Bailey, the broker/owner of Century 21, Bailey and Co., 2129 Pontoon Road, the Leadership Conference of the Illinois Association of Realtors examines specialized areas of real estate leadership.

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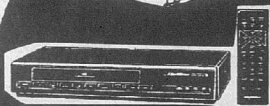
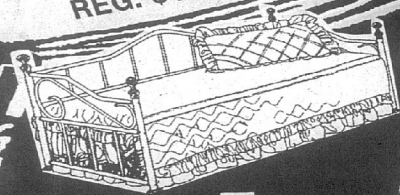
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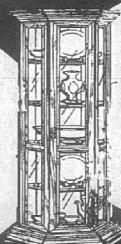
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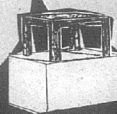
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Without expecting you to run waving a flag from Dixie, there's still reason to celebrate Saturday, Nov. 8, as a date that reflected the strength of the South — southern Illinois — in high school postseasons. In future years, trivia buffs will have fun with that date since it marked a most unique football game between No. 1 Nebraska and upstart Missouri, but on the prep scene, in Southwestern Illinois, memorable credits are endless:

At Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville, nothing — not even a 7-0 title game rout by Springfield against St. Joseph of Webster — should diminish the IHSA Class A boys soccer tournament.

Consider especially that the journey was host by Class AA (big school) officials, and you get a true feeling of southern hospitality. Quite possibly, a welcome in the tourney program from the principals of the hosting schools — Ron Ganschietz, Collinsville; Ed Harris, Edwardsville; and Bill Kotter, Granite City — said it all.

It read, in part: "We take great pleasure in extending a most cordial welcome to the first ever Class A State Soccer Tournament — also the first state tourney conducted at the fine facilities of SIU. In addition, this tournament is the southern-most state tourney ever conducted by the Illinois High School Association."

"We want to express appreciation to SIUE. Most importantly, we want to commend the efforts of Bob Bone (Collinsville Athletic Director), Tim Dougherty (Edwardsville AD) and Jerry McKeen (Granite City AD) for their tireless efforts in working out all the details of this tournament. A further note of appreciation to IHSA Assistant Executive Director Marty Hickman for his support in making this tournament happen."

Now that's class — as much as publishing in the program the list of tournament personnel, including announcer Eli Savoie, statisticians Tad Middleton and Nikki Turner, substitution table officials Dan Lusice, David Hill, Larry Cooper and Mick Brown, and game officials Randall Grady of Matamoras, Ted Klansner of Godfrey, James Mitchell of Bloomington, Haig Nighohossian of Granite City, Ed Rubin of Vernon Hills, Ron Scott of Roscoe and Brad Hill of Glen Carbon.

In addition to last-minute goals, an overtime, a penalty kick shootout and pleasant weather (51 degrees on finals day), the tourney featured a first-time state finals appearance for six schools: Carbondale, Geneva, Mt. Zion, Rockford Christian Life, Springfield and New Lenox. Providence, Arlington Heights St. Viator, which recognized the state tourney by cancelling school on Nov. 7, and St. Joseph had appeared

previously in the state tourney. "Being here is great for our school," said John Kovatch, a Chicago-area accountant whose son John is a Providence assistant coach.

Despite holding a 5-4-1 record after 10 games, Providence coach Andy Newcomb said, "These players wanted to go downstate all year."

For Springfield, getting to and winning the state title ended three years of supersectional frustration, including a 2-1 loss to Collinsville and penalty kicks in 1996. Forget that dismay now, though, as the Senators coach Phil Eck raised his 12-year career record to 240-51-38 with the state crown.

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

The girls volleyball, girls tennis and boys soccer teams of Granite City High School were recognized for their fall accomplishments in ceremonies Thursday night at GCHS.

All three squads had successful campaigns.

The volleyball squad started slowly but came on strong down the stretch,

## Three teams reflect on success

staging a pair of upsets in Class AA regional action before giving a strong Highland team a run for its money in the sectional semifinals.

As first-year coach Beth Seel said, "Our record (11-20) doesn't indicate it, but I believe we have had a successful

year." The tennis team was also successful. The girls of coach Linda Ames played competitively in a conference known statewide for its court strength. The Lady Warriors finished fourth in the Southwestern Conference Tournament,

trailing only perennial powers Belleville East, Belleville West and Edwardsville. "I was pleasantly surprised by the girls this year," said Ames.

The soccer Warriors lost the sectional title match to Edwardsville, which went on to finish second in the IHSA state tournament in St. Charles. In the words of coach Gene Baker, the players "redeemed themselves late in the

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Getting ready  
for the season

Bobby Pritchard of the Granite City Warriors club hockey team moves the puck past a defender in a practice game with Hazelwood East. The Granite City Warriors, a member of the Mid-States Club Hockey Association, open the season Monday with an 8:45 p.m. home game against McCluer North. See more pictures on Page 3B.

(Staff photo by JOHN FRESE)

## Grads contribute to college successes

Former Granite City High School players taking charge in tourney play

By Patrick C. Heston  
Staff writer

For those who think the Granite City High School soccer season is over, think again.

**COLLEGE SOCCER** GCHS grads continue to lead their respective collegiate teams into national tournaments this week.

Junior Matt Little is setting the pace for the Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville men's soccer squad that takes an 18-1-1 record into today's first round game of the 1997 NCAA Division II Tournament.

Little is the Cougars' team leader in every offensive category this season, from shots on goal (61) to game-winning goals (4). His 13 goals and 10 assists make him one of the leading scorers in the nation.

"Little is the heart and soul of our team," said SIUE coach Ed Huneke. "There is nothing he does not do well. When he's not scoring, he's getting the assist. When he's at the other end of the field, he is making defensive stops. He is an all-around great player who is

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— Tim Rooney  
Lewis & Clark coach

deserving of all the accolades he is receiving this season. He is another example of the quality players turned out at Granite City by Gene Baker."

Little will try to lead the Cougars to victory in their 1 p.m. game today and into the NCAA Division II quarterfinals, set for Nov. 23.

At the junior college level, Roxie Simpson is fueling the Lewis & Clark

Community College attack that has the Trailblazers sitting pretty, seeded seventh in the NJCAA Tournament which opened Thursday. Lewis & Clark meets Monroe Community College of New York at 1 p.m.

Simpson's consistent scoring and her stellar play at midfield this season has earned her national recognition, as well as the praise of Trailblazers coach Tim Rooney.

"There's just not enough good that can be said about Roxie Simpson — as a player or as a person," said Rooney. "I wish I had a whole team of Roxie Simpsons. I'm not sure we'd ever lose. She is a classic example of why I like getting players from Granite City. Gene Baker does such a great job preparing the kids to play collegiate soccer, as well as preparing them for college life specifically and for life generally."

Simpson, who assisted on all Lewis & Clark's goals in the district tournament, will be in action at 1 p.m. today as the Trailblazers square off against Monroe Community College of New York in first round tournament play.

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— Ed Huneke  
SIUE coach

Other Granite City grads are contributing members of both colleges' success this season. Jason Maxfield, a senior midfielder/forward, and sophomore Justin Bernaux have had solid seasons for SIUE, while Kristen Knox, Tara Tomlinson, Rachel Kemmerly and Jamie Hendrickson have been helping Lewis & Clark.

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## Macs make short work of Lancers

By Scott Marion  
Staff writer

In terms of history and reputation, the Belleville East volleyball team is no match for Chicago Mother McAuley.

On Friday, the Lancers couldn't match up to the Mighty Macs on the court, either. McAuley — owner of 10 state titles heading into this past weekend — coasted to a 15-2, 15-8 win against East in the quarterfinals of the Class AA state tournament at Redbird Arena in Normal. It was the 17th consecutive victory for the Mighty Macs (33-8), who advanced to Saturday's quarterfinals. The Lancers finished the season at 31-8.

"Obviously we're disappointed, but it's an understatement to say the kids were a bit overwhelmed coming up here," said East coach Becky McGarrity. "Our seniors said it was a big factor in how they played. It took us a while to get used to being out there."

"This was not the way we usually play at Belleville East. But there were moments

when we did play well." McAuley hardly worked up a sweat in the first game, taking a 9-0 lead on a nine-point serving run by senior Heather Thomas. But it was sloppy play by East — more than the Mighty Macs' traditional power at the net — that led to McAuley's fast start.

"We can be a very dominating team," said Nancy Pedersen, whose teams have won six state championships since she became McAuley's head coach in 1983. "We ran the middle, which is something we've been emphasizing the last part of the season. We made very few errors, and when you do that, a coach had better be satisfied."

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

CLASS AA STATE QUARTERFINALS		
MOTHER McAULEY	15	15
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East's head coach in 1983. "We ran the middle, which is something we've been emphasizing the last part of the season. We made very few errors, and when you do that, a coach had better be satisfied."

With Lauren Kostel serving, East got a pair of points to make the score 9-2. But McAuley responded with a six-point serving run.

The Mighty Macs jumped to a 5-2 lead in the second game, but East went ahead 7-5 on a pair of blocks by 6-foot-3 senior Jessica Jackson.

"I don't think we made a lot of adjustments. The kids just started to relax a bit," McGarrity said. "In the first game, we were really tight."

East's lead didn't last long, as McAuley went ahead 8-7 when Jackson hit the ball out of play. A kill by senior Nicole Kucor capped an eight-point Mighty Macs run and made the score 13-7.

The Lancers scored the next point on a tip by Lauren Hayden, but 6-3 sophomore Robyn Guokas — daughter of former NBA star Matt Guokas — tipped the ball over East defenders to make the score 14-8. The Mighty Macs ended the 35-minute match on a service ace by Lauren Mikos.



# Instable force Mascoutah's Carr slowed only by teachers strike

By Scott Marlon  
Staff writer

It took four years to find it, but there is one way to stop Mascoutah soccer player Nick Carr.

It's called a teachers strike.

The strike, which last nearly three weeks, forced the Mascoutah boys soccer team to forfeit five games. In the 16 games the Indians (8-7-1) did play, Carr — a senior striker — had 21 goals and 12 assists.

Carr, selected as the Journal Newspapers of Southern Illinois Class A Soccer Player of the Year, holds school records for career goals (84), career assists (35) and career points (119), as well as most of Mascoutah's single-season and single-game scoring records.

"That's why he's an all-state player," said Ron Sergott, Mascoutah's first-year head coach. "He's the kind of player everyone else on the team looks to. It's hard to talk about him without talking about (senior teammate) Frank Williams. They worked in tandem so well."

"Nick is what I call an 'asthma player.' When the ball is on his foot, other coaches have difficulty breathing. He's an exciting player who makes things happen. Anytime he's near the ball, he's a threat to score."

"He's not blessed with incredible size, but he has the skill and determination to succeed. I'm certain his soccer career is not over. Whichever college he plays for, they'll be fortunate to have someone who plays the game with as much about the game as he does."

The 1997 season was a transition year for Mascoutah, as Gary Carr — Nick's father and the team's head coach for the past six years — left to take the head coaching job at Belleville East. But the Indians had a solid preseason and were off to a good start under Sergott (a former assistant coach at O'Fallon) ... until the strike shut things down in early September.

"In the only game we played before the strike, we beat Roxana 8-0," Carr said. "The first game after the strike was Wood River and we beat them 9-0. Our

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Mascoutah coach

next game was against Triad and they beat us 4-0. That was a reality check."

"For the most part I was pretty happy about how we played. We got fourth at the Waterloo Tournament, which is the best we've ever finished. We should have beaten Columbia. We tied them, but we still ended up going to the championship round. We lost 1-0 to Barrington, which is a real good team from the Chicago area."

Mascoutah opened Class A postseason play with a 3-2 overtime win against Centuria, but lost 5-2 to Triad in the sectional semifinals.

"In the last eight minutes of the first half, we just kind of fell apart," Carr said. "They scored four goals and we were down 4-0 at halftime. In the second half, we came out ready to play and outscored them 2-1. It was probably the best we played all year."

"Talent-wise, we were about the same as last year. We lost a few people, but everyone else got stronger. My sophomore year was our best year. We were 13-8-1."

"Individually, I was pretty happy about how things went this year. We also lost two games due to schedule changes, so we were really seven games short compared to last year. If we had played the amount of games, I might have been able to break the 30-goal mark."

Carr has been a soccer player for most of his life, but he didn't become a prolific goal scorer until high school.

"I started playing when I was 4 or 5 and I was on my first team (in the Belle-Chair Soccer League) when I was 6," Carr said. "I was about 12 when I started playing select (for the Force '79, coached by Gary Carr). Before that, I played in leagues at the Ball Park (Sports Center in O'Fallon)."

"When I was little, I mainly played goalie but I also played in the field. In select, I was mainly a goalie but in my seventh-grade year I started playing defensive center midfield. I moved to striker the following year."

It didn't take long for Carr to establish himself as his new position.

"The select season before my freshman year was when I started scoring a lot of goals," he said. "I started shooting the ball a lot more and taking more time to concentrate on my shots."

"For me, (scoring) is a combination of speed and skill. We have a goal in the backyard and I practice a lot there. I also ref games, and before or after them I'll shoot around."

After three superb seasons at Mascoutah, Carr finally made the all-state team as a senior.

"It was a pretty big accomplishment since only six players from southern Illinois — big schools and little schools — made it," Carr said. "I was hoping to get it, but if I didn't, it was no big deal."

College soccer is the next step in Carr's career.

"I've talked to some coaches and sent a lot of resumes, and hopefully something good will come out of it," he said. "There's nothing particular. I'm looking for (in a school), but I don't want to go too far away. I am looking for a school that has a major in marketing."

"Western (Illinois) seems interested, and last year I got a letter from SIU (at Edwardsville) saying they could see me playing for them."

Nick Carr holds the Mascoutah record for career goals, assists and points.



## Triad's Bruns, Rainwater among first team honorees

Here's a look at the rest of the All-Journal boys soccer team for Class A schools. (Compiled by Brian Bretsch, Scott Marlon and Garvan Varianian.)

**David Woodmore, Althoff**  
A senior forward, Woodmore emerged as the Crusaders' offensive leader with 15 goals and 5 assists.

"Last year he was second on the team in scoring but he didn't finish as well as we would have liked," said Althoff coach Dave Stosberg. "This year he really came through when we needed him. He got all of our big goals."

"The select ball he played really paid off. He put in a lot of hours in the offseason."

A three-year varsity veteran, Woodmore had two goals against Columbia in the Class A sectional semifinals. He had Althoff's only goal in a 2-1 loss to Waterloo in the sectional final.

**Todd Bruns, Triad**  
A junior forward, he missed a chunk of the Knights' season due to a knee injury but still managed to amass 22 goals — seven game-winners — and seven assists this season. He was an instrumental figure in the Knights' two playoff victories, recording two hat tricks.

A three-year starter, Bruns will be already a member of most of the Knights' scoring marks.

"He has got a great knack for scoring goals," Triad coach Mike Villa said. "He can do it all by himself or can take on two or three guys and can put it away when he gets a pass. He just has a tremendous nose for the goal. I can't say enough good things about him. He's just great to be around."

**Matt Kaestner, Gibault**  
Just a sophomore, Kaestner took the area by storm with his 27 goals while providing the Hawks' scoring punch.

His most notable performance was a five-goal barrage against

St. Pius (Mo.) in Gibault's 5-4 verdict Sept. 15.

"And they're an awfully good team," Corsi said of St. Pius. "He's a shooter. He's got a good left-footed shot."

**Coby Yearian, Waterloo**  
Yearian was a critical cog in Waterloo High's unprecedented success in 1997.

A senior forward, Yearian booted 21 goals and helped the Bulldogs advance to the school's first super-sectional appearance and post a school record for wins (16).

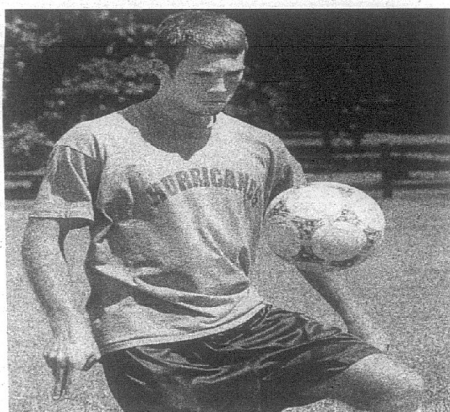
Yearian, who made the all-Mississippi Valley Conference second team, also recorded the game-winning goal against Althoff in the Class A Columbia Sectional on Nov. 1.

"He was really our go-to guy all year," said Waterloo coach Jay Blossom, whose club lost to Carbondale in the Columbia Super-Sectional on Nov. 4. "A lot of his goals were key goals in important games. And he distributed the ball for us. He is a very talented player. Coby is a great athlete and a great kid too."

**Kyle Rainwater, Triad**  
He blossomed into one of the premier players in the area this season. The Illinois High School Soccer Coaches Association named him to their all-state team.

"He had a tremendous year for us," Villa said. "He is one guy who is always around the ball. He's not an imposing player. He's skinny but he is always around the ball. He throws his body around and plays with reckless abandon. I'm very pleased with his performance game in and game out."

"He controlled the offense and defense. He knows how to put out a good pass and can score for you. He led the team in assists and was third in goals scored."



**Adam Pickett, Gibault**  
A senior midfielder, Pickett was a four-year starter for the Hawks. "He was our team engineer," Hawks coach Jim Corsi said. "He brought a lot of experience. He was a tremendous hustler and leader. He brought a lot."

Pickett scored six goals and notched 10 assists while helping Gibault to a solid 10-1-4 ledger in 1997.

**Kevin Haines, Lebanon**  
A senior forward-midfielder, Haines had 13 goals and four assists.

"Kevin's strengths were his leadership — he was captain of the team — and his consistency," said Lebanon coach Dan Schubert. "He scored in most of our games. He's a versatile player. We relied on him and (junior) Chad Dockstader (17 goals, 10 assists) for offense."

A three-year varsity veteran, Haines also plays basketball for the Greyhounds.

**Frank Williams, Mascoutah**  
A senior and a four-year starter, Williams had 7 goals and 8 assists. But statistics don't reflect his value to the Indians.

"Like Nick Carr (Williams' teammate and the Journal's Class A Player of the Year), Frank is hard working, respectful and a pleasure to coach," said Mascoutah

coach Ron Sergott. "We would have scored many more goals if we had been able to move him up front. He can shoot from the left to the right with power and accuracy."

"At middle fullback, along with Ben Kisel, he really anchored our defense. If chooses to play college soccer, he'll do well. He was the heart and soul of the Mascoutah soccer team this year."

**Adam Cannady, Althoff**  
Cannady had 8 goals and 3 assists, but the majority of his time was spent on defense.

"We was the most aggressive person on the team," Stosberg said. "We looked for him to give us a spark. He really shut down a

lot of the other top players in the area."

**Adam Emig, Althoff**  
A junior, Emig had 1 goal and a team-leading 12 assists.

"I'd would have liked for him to score a few more goals, but at midseason we moved him to sweeper back," Stosberg said of Emig, a two-year starter and a three-year varsity veteran. "He still found a way to get into the scoring column (with assists)."

"He really distributes the ball well. He made several nice passes which set up goals."

**Dante Iannazzo, Waterloo**  
He helped propel Waterloo into the super-sectional by scoring the tying goal against Althoff. The senior sweeper later assisted on Yearian's deciding score.

A four-year starter and tri-captain in 1997, Iannazzo posted around 9 goals this season for the 16-2-2 Bulldogs.

"He had a lot to do with our success the last four years," Blossom said of Iannazzo, who made the all-MVC first team. "I'm glad to see him getting the recognition. It's definitely deserved."

**Joel Roschnafsky, Waterloo**  
Blossom called him the area's top goalkeeper.

A senior, Roschnafsky allowed just one goal in the Bulldogs' three sectional contests, including shutouts of Cahokia and Gibault.

For the season, Roschnafsky recorded five shutouts in the game," Blossom said. "He's a great kid, a great player. He just worked his tail off."

### Second team

A senior, Haines, Triad; Frank Weber, Althoff; Chad Dockstader, Lebanon; Jeremy Heinlein, Columbia; Matt Schimpf, Waterloo; Keith Karban, Althoff; Josh Muehl, Gibault; John Reynolds, Lebanon; Brandon Ren, Triad; Pat Sparks, Triad; Nathan Trexler, Columbia; Matt Klopmeier, Columbia.

## Granite City Park District offering youth instructional hockey clinics

The Granite City Park District is offering a Youth Instructional Hockey Clinic. Registration is underway at the Wilson Park Office.

Class begins Monday and will continue each Monday for five weeks. Sessions are 3:45-4:45 p.m.

The clinic — featuring individual instruction in hockey skills with a minimum class size of eight students, and a maximum of 12 students — carries a cost of \$100 for the five-week session. Two additional sessions are scheduled for Jan. 6-Feb. 2, 1998, and for Feb. 9-March 9, 1998.

The instructor is Brent Golden of Granite City. He is a member of the Saskatchewan Junior Hockey League, U.S. Hockey League, Montana State University, the American Frontier Hockey League of Billings, Mont.,

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### Volleyball tryout

Team St. Louis will conduct volleyball tryouts for the following girls teams: Freshmen (Nov. 23, 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at St. Louis Notre Dame High School), Sophomores (Nov. 21, 6:30 p.m. at the University of Missouri-St. Louis gym), Juniors (Nov. 23, 1:30 p.m. at Notre Dame High School) and Seniors (Nov. 21, 7:30 p.m. at the University of Missouri-St. Louis gym). Each tryout

carries a fee of \$5 per player, and each player must be accompanied by a parent or have a signed medical release waiver in order to participate. For more information, call (314) 839-0018.

### MVCHA scholarships

The Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association (MVCHA) has announced that two \$600 scholarships will be awarded this year following the 1997-98 hockey season. All high school seniors who play for their high school hockey team in the MVCHA this season will be eligible to compete for the scholarships. Selections will be approved for distribution by the MVCHA Board of Directors. Scholarships will be distributed

directly to the college, trade school, vocational school or community college of the student's choice.

Contact team coaches for an application for the scholarship program. Applications must be postmarked by March 1, 1998. For more information, call Bob Mooshegan at 466-4533 or Dr. Gary Clark at 466-1380.

### Basketball tournament

The second annual Metro Collegian boys basketball tournament will be Dec. 20-21 and 27-28 in St. Louis. The tourney is open to boys teams in grades 9-12 with a three-game guarantee. For more information or an entry form, call Joe at (314) 849-0028 or (314) 849-0498.

### Krause club

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Tickets for the 17th annual Coca-Cola/KMOX Shootout, the premier high school basketball event of its kind in the nation, are on sale. Tickets may also be charged by phone. Call Dialtix at 514-969-1800.



## HIGH SCHOOL HOCKEY CLUB SCHEDULES

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Nov. 22 — Pattonville, 11 p.m. at Webster  
Nov. 24 — McCluer, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City  
Nov. 29 — Hazelwood East, 9:30 p.m. at North County  
Dec. 1 — Hazelwood West, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City  
Dec. 8 — Hazelwood Central, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City  
Dec. 15 — Pattonville, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City  
Dec. 19 — DuBourg, 9:45 p.m. at Affton  
Dec. 23 — Parkway West, 9:15 p.m. at Queeny  
Dec. 26 — Affton, 9:45 p.m. at Affton  
Dec. 27 — Westminster, 10 p.m. at Chesterfield  
Jan. 1 — Wentzville, 5:15 p.m. at St. Peters Rec-Plex  
Jan. 5 — Francis Howell, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City  
Jan. 10 — McCluer North, 9:30 p.m. at North County  
Jan. 12 — St. Charles West, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City  
Jan. 19 — Hazelwood Central, 9 p.m. at North County  
Jan. 23 — Hazelwood West, 9:30 p.m. at North County  
Jan. 25 — McCluer, 4:30 p.m. at North County  
Jan. 26 — Hazelwood East, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City  
Feb. 2 — DeSmet, 8:45 p.m. at Granite City

Illinois  
Warriors  
Mississippi Valley  
Club Hockey Association  
1997-98 Schedule

Nov. 12 — Collinsville, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Nov. 19 — Belleville East, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Nov. 26 — O'Fallon, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Dec. 6 — Alton, 8 p.m. at East Alton  
Dec. 10 — Cahokia, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Dec. 17 — Althoff, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Dec. 26 — Bethalto, 8:30 p.m. at East Alton  
Jan. 4 — Belleville West, 7 p.m. at East Alton  
Jan. 7 — Collinsville, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Jan. 14 — Althoff, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Jan. 21 — Belleville East, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Jan. 25 — Belleville West, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Feb. 7 — Cahokia, 8:30 p.m. at Cahokia  
Feb. 11 — O'Fallon, 8:15 p.m. at Granite City  
Feb. 19 — Roxana, 7:30 p.m. at East Alton

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(Staff photos by JOHN FRESE)

The Granite City Warriors ice hockey club made final preparations for the 1997-98 season with a practice game against Hazelwood East recently. ABOVE LEFT: Ty Suhre finds open ice and roams with the puck; ABOVE RIGHT: Granite City's Bryan Loftus works his way through traffic with the puck. The Warriors are members of the Mid-States Club Hockey Association, which almost exclusively consists of teams from St. Louis, St. Charles and Jefferson counties in Missouri. The Warriors open the season Monday at home against McCluer North. Full schedule appears at left along with the schedule for the Illinois Warriors, a first-year club from Granite City which is playing in the Illinois-based Mississippi Valley Club Hockey Association.

## Awards

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year" with a tie against St. Louis University High and wins against both Belleville West and East.

First-year freshman soccer coach Barry Grote expressed pride in his players for not giving up after a slow start. The freshman Warriors started the season with a 3-2 record, but went 4-2 over their last eight games.

The freshmen were on the brink of being a very good team," said Baker, "and they became that in the last half of the season."

Virgil Kirksey, the junior varsity coach, also had praise for his squad which finished the year unbeaten with a record of 7-0-6. "Five of those ties probably should have been wins," Kirksey said.

The success of the JV squad is evidenced in wins against traditional St. Louis powers Vianney (4-0) and CBC (2-1), and a tie against SLUH in the Junior Billikens' home field.

"The true success of a JV program is how many players go on to start regularly for the varsity," Kirksey added. "This year, we had four of our players who were starting regularly for the varsity by the end of the year. That is exceptional. I've never had that happen in my eight seasons at Granite City."

After a short but excellent motivational speech by David Ames, in which the assistant varsity coach spoke pointedly of potential and achievement,

"This year, we had four of our players who were starting regularly for the varsity by the end of the year. That is exceptional."

— Virgil Kirksey  
Granite City JV coach

Gene Baker presented awards to the varsity soccer players.

The award for Most Improved Junior went to Brad Hutchings, whom Baker sees as having the potential to be all-state as a senior.

The award for Most Improved Senior was given to Adam Sanchez, who played injured most of the year. "When he was at his best, we were pretty darn good," added Baker.

The David Morgan Soccer Award, given for the soccer athlete best exemplifying team loyalty, unselfish effort and gentlemanly conduct, went to Jonas Janek.

"Jonas works very hard every day," Baker said. "He plays with honesty and intelligence. He pursues goals with passion and competes with intensity."

The Warriors were 15-8-2 for the 1997 campaign, averaging two of three conference losses in the postseason. Only state runner-up Edwardsville beat Granite twice.

Baker spoke to his players about his purpose in coaching. "I found out early in my coaching career that I could push a player to his limits and regain his friendship quickly,"

said the state's most successful soccer mentor. "We (the coaching staff) are not here to let potential lay. We want to bring it to the surface."

"Winners must have two things: definite goals and a burning desire to achieve them," Baker continued. "These players have that. They are winners. But there is something in between those two things that is just as important. It is the discipline of hard work. That is the bridge that fulfills the goals and satisfies the desires. Don't procrastinate. Do now what needs to be done to get you where you want to be. Do something about it now."

Thursday's unexpected accumulation of snow served definite notice that fall sports are now history, and Granite City now turns its attention to winter activities.

## VOLLEYBALL

Volleyball  
Granite City Park District  
Standings  
(November 9)

Team	W-L
Spikers	3-0
Four Chance	3-0
Ernie & Annie's	2-1
Hometown Sports	1-2
Power House	0-3
Medicine Shoppe	0-39
Scores	
Ernie & Annie's	15 15 2
Hometown Sports	6 5 15
Four Chance	15 15 15
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Spikers	15 15 15
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## FAMILY

## BIRTHS

**William Douglas**  
William and Tammy Douglas of Granite City have announced the birth of their son.

William A. Douglas was born at 4:10 a.m. Oct. 5, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Carol Fritts and William J. Fritts of Granite City.

William L. Douglas, Sr., of East Alton, and Bernadine Jones of Collinsville are the paternal grandparents.

The couple has two other children, Jonathan and Brittany Douglas.

**Devin Steadman**  
Richard and Christina Steadman of Madison have announced the birth of their son.

Devin Scott Steadman was born at 5:40 p.m. Oct. 9, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce.

Maternal grandparents are James and Connie Embrey of Granite City.

Nathan and Georgia Cagle of Florence, S.C., are the paternal grandparents.

The couple has one other child, Cody, age 21 months.

**Jacob Gamble**  
Jeff and Lisa Gamble of Granite City have announced the birth of their son.

Jacob Steven Gamble was born at 2:14 a.m. Oct. 8, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds, 11 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are James and Rosalie Griffey of Granite City.

Andrew and Bonnie Gamble of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

**Matthew Wylie**  
Darron and Andrea Wylie of Granite City have announced the birth of their son.

Matthew Scott was born at 12:08 p.m. Oct. 8, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds, 4 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Gisela and Klara May of Eden Prairie, Minn., and Frank Scotto of Brooklyn, N.Y.

George and Geraldine Wylie of Granite City are the paternal grandparents.

The couple has three other children, Christina, age 10, Shawn, age 9, and Kayla, age 6.

**Alfredo Guerrero**  
Alfredo and Katrina Guerrero of Granite City have announced the birth of their son.

Alfredo Ramon Guerrero was

born at 4:27 p.m. Oct. 1, 1997, at St. Elizabeth Medical Center. He weighed 8 pounds, 2 ounces. Maternal grandmother is Trudy Blodgett of Salinas, Calif.

Vidal and Ramona Guerrero of Sunland Park, New Mexico, are the paternal grandparents. The couple has one other child, Isabel, age 2.

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Those attending from Granite City, Chapter #1340, were Pauline Hansen, President; Lucille Caban, 2nd Vice President; and Mary Earls, Legislative Chairman.

The theme was "AARP into the 21st Century." Frank Sorenson, Illinois AARP state president, presided. Horace Deets was the keynote speaker. His topic, "How We are Shaping our Future," addressed the quality of life for all Americans as they age. Margaret Dixon, AARP president and luncheon speaker, addressed "Building AARP's Community Presence... Together."

There were exhibitors and exciting and interactive sessions on important topics: medicare, social security, managed care, AARP health care options, telemarketing fraud, AARP National Legislative Council, and Illinois State Legislative Issues.

## MILESTONES

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Sherry DeRossett celebrated her birthday Nov. 14.

Georgann Krakowiecki celebrated her birthday Nov. 14.

Kindra Allen celebrated her 19th birthday Nov. 14.

JR and Norma Mize celebrated their 18th anniversary Nov. 15.

Gene Robertson, Jr. celebrated his 32nd birthday Nov. 15.

Damian Johnson will celebrate his 12th birthday today, Nov. 16.

Sonya R. Harmon will celebrate her 32nd birthday today, Nov. 16.

Emily Lake will celebrate her 3rd birthday today, Nov. 16.

Steve and Sherry Bruzaitis will celebrate their 18th anniversary today, Nov. 16.

Shelly Nash will celebrate her 28th birthday Nov. 17.

Brian Bellman will celebrate his 25th birthday Nov. 17.

Nicholas Copeland will celebrate his 5th birthday Nov. 17.

Fanny Redfern will celebrate her 57th birthday Nov. 17.

Joshua Nelson Pace will celebrate his 5th birthday Nov. 17.

Ed Robertson will celebrate his birthday Nov. 18.

Beth Shipley will celebrate her 10th birthday Nov. 18.

Wally and Dink Scrum will celebrate their 47th anniversary Nov. 18.

John and Sherri Finke will celebrate their 3rd anniversary

Nov. 18.

Jenna Nicole Bennett will celebrate her 5th birthday Nov. 18.

Ina M. Smith will celebrate her 89th birthday Nov. 19.

Taylor Leonard will celebrate his 4th birthday Nov. 19.

Nicole Marie Hughey will celebrate her 15th birthday Nov. 19.

John Kinde will celebrate his birthday Nov. 20.

Matthew Edward Wells will celebrate his 15th birthday Nov.

20.

Gary Bogovich will celebrate his 43rd birthday Nov. 21.

Bill Brown will celebrate his 43rd birthday Nov. 21.

Jeff and Janet Smith will celebrate their 35th anniversary Nov. 21.

Lovell Pruett will celebrate his birthday Nov. 21.

Joshua Grooms will celebrate his 8th birthday Nov. 21.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19).

Do not wait for a loved one — keep busy while you allow him or her to catch up. Parents find it difficult to get in touch with you. Love asks you to do hard labor. A covert observation helps you understand a child's troubles.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Keep the peace. A new love has an unpredictable element — give him or her lots of time. There is a window of opportunity for artists. A sexier atmosphere prevails tonight.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). You are the voice of authority on practical projects, and old rules don't apply. Romance and the pursuit of it are on the top of everyone's list. What you decide tonight requires more follow-through than you think.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). The years have changed someone dear to you. Be understanding. Your psychic impressions are on target. Be

ultra-aware of important relationship needs. Discovering and testing boundaries produces glorious revelations.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). The very best way to teach or give to others in a significant way is by setting a realistic example with your own mastery. Obtain answers to long-asked questions behind the scenes.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Enjoy extra attention. You have the time tonight to focus on making a relationship more romantic. You take things personally that aren't necessarily meant for you.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your own pleasure is as important as your ability to produce results. Good news and companionship are yours this afternoon. Have faith — a windfall is entirely possible.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Keep material things under a watchful eye. Get going on your goals. Show appreciation by being a sympathetic listener. There's a special focus on real estate.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Keep love light. You are a magnet for compassion. Tickets are made available to an event you've waited for. You are quite a creative inspiration for co-workers and family.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Take action. Your lifestyle is improved by momentum. A powerful romance is on hold while you settle old issues. Reorganize your personal life in time for a magical week.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Stick to your ideals. Enormous luck comes through an introduction to a Leo or Aries. Be witty, and you'll win a love interest before next weekend.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Introspection is different from brooding. Try to make plans with several people. Get that old sparkle back. Now's the perfect time for reconciliations and special travel.

# 'Starship' is engrossing in an embarrassing way

Random observations from the kill-the-giant-insect sci-fi flick "Starship Troopers":

• It's rare to see such a well-orchestrated blend of hair gel, well-chiseled chins and mass human dismemberment.

• Lines like, "To fight the bug, we must understand the bug," are pretty funny — if they're intentionally so, which is unclear.

• Giant vermin are cool.

Beyond that, there's little to recommend "Starship Troopers." Paul Verhoeven's attempt to create a giant, malevolent Bazoorka Joe cartoon in outer space. The characters are cardboard and juvenile, the plot twists indecipherable and the epic battle against gargantuan extraterrestrial insects morally questionable at best.

Here's the strange thing, though: Despite this battalion of weaknesses, you'll probably walk away entertained from this "90210" meets "Star Wars" meets "Sands of Ivo Jima." It's marginally goodhearted, despite its violence, and it sports enough camp to carry it through to the end.

The story goes something like this: In the future, giant bugs from another star system — based on a planet called Klendathu — are launching salvos at Earth, so Earth decides to fight back by invading the bug world.

The foot soldiers are a model-agency-smooth bunch of high-school students from Buenos Aires, Argentina, who sign up for federal service, which allows them to become "citizens."

Among them are the improbably named Johnny Rico (Casper Van Dien), the impressively fresh-faced Carmen Ibanez (Denise Richards) and come-hither tough-girl Dizzy Flores (Dina Meyer), who has long lusted after Rico.

Ibanez chooses pilot school, Rico and Dizzy the infantry. In quick succession, we see them join, train, graduate and go off to battle.

Their quarry is a race of giant bugs who live in the Arachnid Quarantine Zone, though only a few of them seem spider-like. They impale chests with their claws and bite off heads with their jaws, allowing Verhoeven ("Total Recall," "Basic Instinct") to perpetrate acts of unspeakable gore upon the human body.

Because of all this carnage, "Starship Troopers" is one of the most violent Ameri-

can movies since "Platoon." And even though the bloodshed has a cartoonish, 1950s sci-fi quality about it, it's shocking and excessive nonetheless.

Throw in the occasional erotic encounter and a plethora of get-up-and-go military charges led by Rico's former teacher and military mentor, Rasczak (Michael Ironside), and you have a disjointed piece of pulp fiction.

What's strange about "Starship Troopers" is how little empathy the characters generate. They might as well have been computer-generated. Attractive, buff and outwardly moralistic, they nonetheless come across as mere pawns, fighting a war for questionable reasons and doing little to better the human race in the process.

Some cameos are intriguing. Rue McClanahan ("Golden Girls") is unsettling as a scared, blind biology teacher. Clancy Brown ("The Shawshank Redemption") makes a good tough-guy drill sergeant. But Neil Patrick Harris ("Doogie Howser, M.D."), who can be a decent actor, is terribly annoying as a friend of Rico and Ibanez whose psychic powers land him in the futuristic equivalent of the CIA. His best line: "We're going back to (Planet) P — to CAPTURE that brain!"

Where "Starship Troopers" shines, if anywhere, is in its occasional "federal newsreel" segments, modeled on the "duck-and-cover" segments produced in the Cold War 1950s. They feature a Nazi-like bird of prey logo, warn against "the Foe" and depict kids "doing their part" by squashing household roaches en masse.

"Starship Troopers" is deficient in many ways. It's too long. It glorifies war. Its music, makeup and hairstyles suggest a future horrifyingly replete with mid-1980s aesthetics. Much of its terminology and space architecture is poached from "Star Trek." And ammunition seems unlimited until the plot requires an ammo shortage.

Yet this big-screen, sci-fi Capture the Flag is playfully engrossing in an embarrassing manner. If you want to see it, fine. But if you like it, best not to tell anyone.

"Starship Troopers," directed by Verhoeven, is produced by John Davidson and Alan Marshall from an Ed Neumeier screenplay.

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## Veterans Day festivities honor heroes



### Residents reflect on 'price that's been paid'

By Alene Hill  
Staff writer

The Kime family of Maryville has a Veterans Day tradition. Jack and Kathryn Kime and their children, Mike, a sixth-grader at Webster School, and Christy, a second-grader at Maryville School, attend the Veterans Day festivities in Collinsville every year.

"(Mike and Christy) both know their dad was a retired Army officer," Kathryn Kime said. "I think it's important for young people to realize, to reflect a few moments about the price that's been paid for their freedom."

"This is not a memorial day. This is a day for celebration, a day to reflect on the highest form of public service."

— Ken Lamoreaux  
Commander  
American Legion

Tuesday was no different for the Kimes, who joined the crowd that lined Vandavia for the annual Veterans Day parade. This year's parade included American Legion Post 365 and its Auxiliary, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 5691 and its Auxiliary, the Korean War Veterans, the Collinsville High School Band, Illinois Veteran of the Year Curt Blevins and area Boy and Girl Scout troops.

After the parade, the American Legion building was filled to capacity. Many audience members were forced to stand as they listened to the program and more selections by the band. A free lunch was served afterwards.

"This is not a memorial day," American Legion Cmdr. Ken Lamoreaux told the crowd. "This is a day for celebration, a day to reflect on the highest form of public service."

Seventy-nine years ago today, Lamoreaux said, World War I ended. In

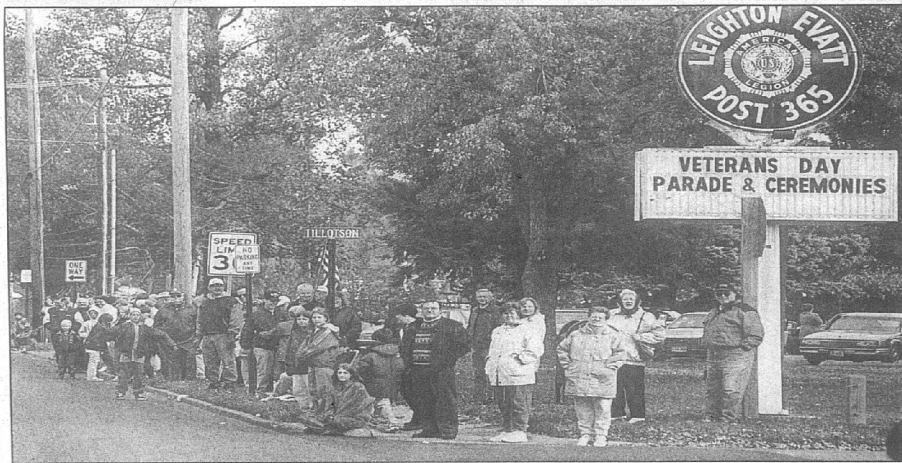
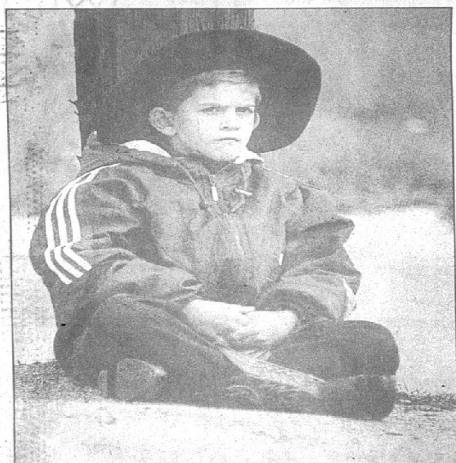


Members of American Legion Post 365 march in the parade.

1919, President Woodrow Wilson declared Nov. 11 as Armistice Day. In 1954, at the urging of veterans groups, the day became Veterans Day to honor all American veterans.

Trevor Holmes, a fourth-grader at Twin Echo School watching the parade with his mother, Jeanette, knew the reason he had the day off from school.

"This is to honor the people who died fighting for us in the wars," he said.



At top, the color guard marches Tuesday in the Veterans Day Parade. Above, V.J. Furfaro, 7, of Collinsville waits for the parade to begin. V.J. attended the parade with his mother, Linda, and his brother, Lucas, 5. Above right, residents wait for the parade to pass. At right, color guard members David Stopher, left, and William Coffee stand at attention. Stopher served in Desert Storm and Somalia, and Coffee is a member of the VFW. Both men are Collinsville residents.



(Staff photos by JOHN SWISTAK JR.) Above left, Ken Lamoreaux, commander of American Legion Post 365, speaks during the Veterans Day ceremony. Above right, Jesse Hoskin salutes the flag. He is commander of American Legion Post 365 for Madison and Bond counties.











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